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**S**CHOOL PENS; Lead Pencils; Slate  
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J. H. BARBER.

For Newport & Providence.  
Fall and Winter Arrange-  
ment.

The Steamer

**OLAS,**

CAPT. B. F. WOOLSEY.

Will leave Newport and Providence as  
follows:—

Leaves Newport, Mondays, Wednesdays and  
Fridays at 10 o'clock, a.m.

Leaves Providence, Tuesdays, Thursdays &  
Saturdays, at 10 1/2 a. m.

**FARE 75 CENTS.**

Freight taken at very reduced rates.

**N. B.** All persons are forbid trusting any  
one on account of the above Boat or owners.

**FOR SALE.**

The copper fastened Whaling  
brig POCOHONTAS, as she  
now lies at Sayers Wharf, with  
or without her Whaling appa-  
ratus. For terms apply to

**JOHN STEVENS,** or to  
S. BARKER,  
103 Thames street.

Newport, Sept. 28.

**LISTS OF VOTERS.**

THE Town Council of the town of  
Newport will meet on WEDNES-  
DAY the 30th day of October instant, at  
2 o'clock P. M. at the Town Hall in  
Newport, for the purpose of further cor-  
recting the lists of Voters of said town of  
Newport, for the Town Meeting to be  
held at Newport on the first Monday  
in November next for the election of Elec-  
tors of President and Vice President of  
the United States, and this Notice is  
ordered to be given in the Newspapers  
printed in this town at least ten days be-  
fore the said time of the meeting of the Town  
Council. By order

**B. B. HOWLAND, Council Clerk.**  
Newport, October 12, 1844.

**Fancy Goods, Toys, &c.**

Great variety, at Wholesale and Retail,  
at the Confectionary and Variety Store of  
T. STACY, JR.  
Corner of Frank & Thames street.  
Newport, May 18, 1844.

**L. F. GALLUP, M. D.**

Respectfully informs that he boards and  
lodges at Mr. Francis Carr's in Broad  
street; but for the convenience of his pa-  
rents, has taken the Hunter Office in Mary  
street, between Clarke and Thames streets  
where he can be found from 9 to 1, and  
from 2 to 6 o'clock, prepared to attend to  
those who require his attention in Medi-  
cine, Surgery or Dentistry. At other  
hours he can be found at his boardinghouse  
July 19.

Court of Probate, Newport, Oct. 7th, 1844.  
An instrument in writing purporting to be  
the last will and testament of

**JOHN DENNIS.**  
of Newport, Mariner dec. dated 13th of  
November, 1828, was presented for Probate by  
his Executor thereon named, and for letters  
testamentary thereon.

The same is read and the consideration  
thereof referred to a Court of Probate to be  
held at the Town Hall in Newport, on the  
2nd Monday in November next at 9 o'clock a.  
and notice is ordered to be given thereof  
of publishing the same for three successive  
days in the NEWPORT MERCURY, for all per-  
sons interested to appear at said time and  
place and be heard.

B. B. HOWLAND, Probate Clerk.

## Large Sales

AND

## Small Profits.

JOSEPH M. HAMMETT,  
TAILOR & DRAPER.

No. 133 A-2

THAMES STREET,

HAS selected in Boston expressly for  
this market, a large assortment of  
English and American Cloths suitable for  
the Fall trade, consisting of

**Plain, Diamond and Double  
Wave BEAVERS; Black,  
Blue and Fancy Coloured  
BROADCLOTHES.**

A choice selection of Cloths for Panta-  
loons, consisting of

**Cassimeres, & Doe Skins,**

of all colors and shades.

## Vestings

of the newest style, from the latest im-  
portations, and every other article called  
for from a Tailoring establishment. All  
who wish to purchase cheap, are invited  
to give him a call.

## MOTTO.

"The nimble sixpence is better than the slow  
Shilling."

He manufactures on the most reasonable  
terms, every description of

**Fashionable Clothing,**

Coats, Pants, Vests, Cloaks, Sacks,  
&c., constantly for sale, or will be fur-  
nished to order at short notice, and at pri-  
ces lower than can be purchased in town.

**CUTTING** particularly attended to.

Newport, Sept. 28, 1844.

Court of Probate, Newport, Oct. 7, 1844.

THE administrators final account on the  
estate of

DAVID KING,

late of Newport, Physician dec. was presented  
for allowance.

The same is received, and the consideration  
thereof referred to a Court of Probate to be  
held at the Town Hall in Newport, on the first  
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By Order, Witness,

OTIS WILBOR, Probate Clerk.

Court of Probate, Little Compton, Oct. 14.

AT this Court an instrument of writing  
purporting to be the last will and testa-  
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LOIS WILBOR,

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**CHINESE PRINTING**—The Chinese have always done their printing on the stereotype system, never using separate types. The Register in relation to this system says:

Whether the Chinese will ever abandon the stereotype system and adopt that of moveable types, is an interesting question. They are, it is true, exceedingly tenacious of old habits and customs.— Yet we have seen with astonishment, during the period in which they were for the first time brought in contact with European improvements in the art of war, that they manifest the most eager desire to adopt them. They have learned more in the art of engineering and casting cannon, in this short space of time, and have learnt it more practically and more cheerfully than the Turks have permitted themselves to learn in a century. We cannot, therefore, but augur important changes from the friendly intercourse which is likely to grow up between the most ingenious and industrious of Asiatics, and the European mind. The stationary character which has so long marked the people of China, there is every reason to believe, will be broken up by the contemplation of European models of excellence, and we think many years will not elapse before the Chinese adopt the European mode of printing, and set their skillful artisans to cut punches on steel, which shall surpass in beauty every thing that the Europeans have been able to achieve. Possibly within less than a quarter of a century, Canton may have its Wilsons and Figgins and Caslon, and founts of type may become as much an article of traffic in the Empire as they are in England.

## Late Foreign Intelligence

### Arrival of the Great Western. 8 DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE.

AN EXCELLENT CUSTOM.—In Munich, Germany, all boys found in the streets asking alms, are taken to an asylum established for that purpose. As soon as they enter the door, and before having been cleansed, or their dirty clothes removed, a portrait of each one is taken, representing him in the same form as when found begging. When the portrait is finished, he is cleansed, and presented with a new and neat suit of clothes. After going through a regular course of education, appointed by the directors of the asylum, they are put to learn a trade, at which they work until they have earned enough to liquidate all their expenses from the first day they entered the institution. When this is completed, they are dismissed from the institution, to gain their own livelihood. At the same time, the portrait, taken when they first entered, is presented to them, which they swear they will preserve as long as they live, in order that they may remember the abject condition from which they have been redeemed, and the obligations which they are under to the institution for having saved them from misery, and given them the means of feeding themselves for the future.

A Good Swimmer.—The following aquatic performance is recorded in the Newburg, N Y Courier, having been performed by the son of an old fisherman, who bids fair to rival the celebrity of his respectable papa:—"The sloop Superb, Captain Ellis arrived here from West Point and reported the loss of James Lipsey, a young man belonging to Cold Spring, who was knocked overboard by the boom of the sloop, between Polopel's Island and Butter Hill. The wind was blowing a gale at the time of the accident, and the night was quite dark.—Captain Ellis threw a plank overboard, and put the sloop about as soon as possible, but was unable to discover Lipsey, and giving him up for lost, put way for Newburg. But it appears that Lipsey, being an expert swimmer, succeeded in getting safely ashore. He secured the board that was thrown from the sloop, and finding it impossible to divest himself of his shoes or any part of his clothing, struck out for Polopel's Islands, then more than half a mile distant, which he succeeded in reaching. He remained on the Island about two hours, but finding himself wet, cold and lonesome, he concluded to embark on another voyage for the main land, about a quarter of a mile distant. Taking up his board, he crossed the island, and again commenced buffeting the waves for the shore. He reached Break Neck safe and sound, and much to the surprise of Capt. Ellis, made his appearance on board the Superb the following day."

**Robbery and attempted Murder**.—The Pittsburgh Spirit of the Age says that Mr. Dill A. Smith, of that city, was robbed on board of the steamboat Fulton which left there on Tuesday last, by Dr. Tappan, of Steubenville, a son of Senator Tappan of Ohio. Mr. Smith had just written a letter to his wife, and while in the act of sealing it, he observed Tappan in his state-room with his money in his possession, and in a struggle to recover it from Tappan, the latter threw it overboard, and shot Smith in the shoulder. Mr. Smith bled very much, and is (seriously, but not dangerously, wounded). Tappan was arrested and is now in Steubenville jail.

Boys that have been properly reared, are men at 16; while those that have been brought up in idle habits, are nubs at 21.

**Rail Road Accident**.—The morning train of cars from Springfield to Albany, on Friday, came in contact at a crossing about a mile this side of Pittsfield, with a two horse wagon. The driver, Mr. Abraham Howland, of South Adams, was instantly killed; the horses were thrown down and the wagon broken to pieces.

**PARLIAMENT**.—There was a formal meeting of Parliament on the 10th instant but only for further prorogation, and it was prorogued by commission to the 12th of December.

Mr. Hasilio, the Sandwich Island Commissioner, remains sick at the Massachusetts General Hospital, in Boston.

**Preservation of Beauty in Death**.—A correspondent of the Savannah Republican writing of the old castle of Quidienvielle, in Saxony, states, that in a vault in the Chapel of the castle, erected in the time of Otto the Great, are the confined remains of many personages distinguished in antecedent ages, the most conspicuous being the body of Maria Aurora, the beautiful Countess of Koningsmark, the mistress of Augustus the Strong, King of Saxony, and mother by him of the celebrated Marshal Saxe, who gained the battle of Fontenoy. When reading in Voltaire's Life of Charles XII, the attempt of this accomplished woman to seduce Charles from the pursuit of his plans, I little expected, says the letter-writer, to see her thus exposed to the gaze of the curious traveller. The body lies in a rich and massive coffin, reposing on crimsoned grave clothes, richly embroidered, and dressed as for a festival.—There it has lain for 117 years, and yet every feature is distinctly marked. It has undergone in the atmosphere of the vault a drying process which has quite interrupted that of decay. In the castle of the Duke of Brunswick, at Blankenburg, ten miles hence, is an authentic portrait of the Countess. No man can fail to observe in it the precise formation of the brow which, in the body, is so remarkable.

Lieutenant of Ireland, died at Dublin on the 6th inst. She was the second daughter of the late Hon. Wm. Henry Bonverie, and grand daughter of the late Earl of Radnor, and died at the age of 61. It was rumored in Dublin that Lord Heytesbury would resign the Lord Lieutenant.

Mr. O'Connell was still at Derryane Abbey, in fine health, and enjoying his hunting extremely. The repeat for the week ending the 7th inst., was £630.

The return of the Revenue for the quarter ending 10th of October, shewing an increase in the Customs, compared with the corresponding period of 1843, on the year of 1,723, 1654 and the quarter of 473,347.

SIX miles of the atmospheric railway, from the Dartmouth Arms to Croydon, will it is expected, be ready in May next.

**SPAIN**.—It will be seen from the letter of our Madrid correspondent of the 3d, that the ministerial crisis is fast approaching; indeed, the probability is that by this time it is accomplished. As we said yesterday, Narvaez has been once more triumphant, and will probably be entrusted with the reconstruction of the Cabinet. M. Mon's quarrel with Narvaez is one of some standing. It has been a perpetual scene of quarreling between them, almost since M. Mon joined the Ministry. Narvaez has always insisted upon the payment of the army, while the rest of the public servants are allowed to starve. He has steadily refused to allow the slightest diminution in the enormous number of the troops (100,000 men) or in his budget, while Mon has always declared, that without a great diminution of the expenses of the war department any financial improvement was utterly hopeless, because the monthly expenditure of the Government exceeded the gross income of the State. The scenes of recrimination which this subject produced between the colleagues has at last reached a climax, and there appears to be no doubt that M. Mon, M. Pidal, and probably M. Mayans, will quit the Cabinet. *London Chronicle*, 11th inst.

The Journal des Debats publishes a letter from Cadiz of the 25th ult., mentioning the complete evacuation of the island of Mogador by the French, and the arrival at Cadiz of the garrison and the remainder of the squadron. The Moorish

envoy sent from Tangier, to the Cuvier, to inform his countrymen of the conclusion of peace, was unable to meet in the town a single inhabitant to whom he could communicate that pleasing intelligence.

Ever since the bombardment, Kabyle marauders daily entered Mogador to search for booty among its ruins.

On the 12th, these plunderers accidentally set fire to a mica, which had been opened under one of the forts, commanding the channel between the island and town, and the battery situated at the gate of the Marine. The latter was blown up by the Moors; but the fuse leading to the powder magazine under the fort having been extinguished, no explosion took place.

On the 23d, the French garrison was awoke by the report of an explosion which completely destroyed that fort.—

The Emperor of Morocco had accepted the mediation of France for the adjustment of his differences with Denmark and Sweden, and it was believed that he would renounce the tribute paid to him by those two Powers in virtue of ancient treaties.

Leipsic, Sept. 29.—I must acquaint you with an affair which causes a great sensation here, because ill disposed journals may very likely spread all sorts of false statements respecting it. His

Majesty the King of Saxony, before his journey to England, made purchases of a

Jewish jeweller to the amount of 30,000

for presents. On distributing them, it

appeared that most of the stones were

false, for which reason the return of all

the presents is requested.

On the evening of the 1st, a frightful

wreck happened near the mouth of the Tay, of the iron steamer Windsor Castle, with 250 passengers on board. She

had proceeded in the morning from Granton, with a large party from Dundee, for

the purpose of seeing the embarkation of

the Queen on her return to England, with

the intention of returning to Granton the

same evening. The Windsor Castle per-

formed the first part of her excursion

successfully, sailed several times round

the Royal Squadron, for the purpose of

giving the passengers a view of the Queen

and royal party, and followed the royal

yacht to the mouth of the river, and

thence towards Granton. At half past

7, the steamer struck with a tremendous

crash upon the beacon, on the North Carr

Rock. A large party was below at dinner at the time, and such was the violence

of the concussion, that all the dishes were

broken from the table to the end of the

room. The water was soon found to be

entering rapidly to the engine room and

main cabin, and every thing was in the

greatest confusion. The helm was put

hard a port, and fortunately the vessel

was kept afloat for twenty minutes, at

the end of which time she grounded be-

tween two large rocks, about two miles

from Crail, and by the aid of boats, and

partly by swinging by ropes from the

bowsprit upon the rocks as the tide re-

ceded, every person on board got safely

on shore, and by scrambling in the dark over hedges, dikes and ditches, reached

Crail.

It was strongly rumored, that the Gov-

ernment of Austria was in negotiation

with the board which directs the German

Commercial League, for connecting a

part, at least, of the Austrian dominions

with that body.

On the 8th instant, Dr. Symons, who

was opposed by the Puseyites, was elect-

ed Vice Chancellor of Oxford University

by a majority of 888 to 183. Dr. Sy-

mons was the regular candidate for the

choice, and in the ordinary course of

things would have been chosen without

opposition.

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Lady Heytesbury, wife of the Lord

## By the Posts.

### OFFICERS OF THE CUTTER VIGILANT.

The following is a list of the officers of this vessel, blown out of the harbor of Key West, and capsized during a gale on the 5th inst.

William B. G. Taylor, commander;

Wm G. Taylor, 1st Lieut, commanding;

Mr. Cooper, of Hingham, Mass., 2d Lieut. do; 6 seamen, and the cook and cabin boy, slaves belonging to Captain Taylor.

Mr. Robert Cooper, one of the Louisiana pilots, and two of the negroes who deserted with the pilot boat from the

Belize, were on board. J. C. Johnson,

pilot, belonging to the Vigilant, and Mr.

Robert Armstrong, of New Orleans, (pas-

senger) were providentially ashore, and

safely saved from the wreck.

The only persons saved from the wreck

were Michael Driscoll and Henry Hoyt,

seamen, picked up at sea in a canoe be-

longing to the cutter, which they for-

tunately fell in with while in

the water.

The Long Island train for Boston ran

over a bull on Monday at 8 1/4 o'clock,

at East New York, which threw the

hinder car off the track, which was left

behind, and the train proceeded with the

car to Boston. The bull was dragged

100 yards or more under the cars. We

did not hear of any passengers being in-

jured, although they must have been

badly shaken by the car that ran off

and alongside the track for 200 yards or

more.—*New York Express*.

**TERRIBLE STEAMBOAT DISASTER**.—

**Explosion of the Lucy Walker**—60 to

80 Killed and Wounded.

The steamer Lucy Walker, Captain Vann, left this

place for New Orleans yesterday, crowded

with passengers. When about four

or five miles below New Albany, and

just before sun set, some part of her ma-

chinery got out of order, and the engine

was stopped in order to repair it. While

engaged in making the necessary repairs

the water in the boilers got too low; and

about five minutes after the engine had

ceased working, her three boilers ex-

ploded with tremendous violence, and

horrible and terrific effect. The explo-

sion was upwards, and that part of the

boat above the boilers was blown into a

thousand pieces. The U



## POETRY.

### After a Tempest.

BY WM. C. BRYANT.

The day had been a day of wind and storm,—  
The wind was laid, the storm was over,  
And, stooping from the zenith, bright and  
warm,  
Shone the great sun on the wide earth at  
last.  
I stood upon the upland slope, and cast  
My eye upon a broad and beauteous scene,  
When the vast plain lay girt by mountains  
west,  
And hills o'er hills lifted their heads of green,  
With pleasant vales scooped out, and villages  
between.

The rain drops glistened on the trees around,  
Whose shadows on the tall grass were not  
stirred,  
Save with a shower of diamonds, to the  
ground.

Was shaken by the flight of startled birds;  
For birds were warbling round, and bees  
were heard.

About the flowers; the cheerful rivulet sung  
And gossiped, as he hastened oceanward;  
To the gray oak, the squirrel, chiding, chung,  
And, chirping, from the ground the grasshopper  
sprang.

And from beneath the leaves, that kept them  
dry,  
Flew many a glittering insect here and  
there,

And darted up and down the butterfly,  
That seemed living blossom of the air.  
The flocks came scattering from the thicket,  
where

The violent rain had sent them; in the way  
Strayed groups of damsels frolicsome and  
fair;

The farmer swung the scythe or turned the  
hay,  
And twixt the heavy swaths his children were  
at play.

It was a scene of peace—and, like a spell,  
Did that serene and golden sunlight fall  
Upon the motionless wood that clothed the  
hill,

And precipice upspring like a wall,  
And glassy river, and white waterfall,  
And happy living things that trod the bright  
And beauteous scene; while, far beyond  
them all,

On many a lovely valley, out of sight,  
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### A Chronological Account of all material Occurrences from the first settlement of RODE ISLAND.

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At the Annual Election helden at  
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May, the following persons were elected  
officers:

Nicholas Cooke, Governor.  
William Bradford, Deputy Governor.

#### Assistants.

John Collins, James Arnold,  
Simeon Potter, Jonathan Randall,

Ambrose Page, Peter Phillips,

John Sayles, William Potter,

John Jepson, William Church,

Henry Ward, Secretary.

Henry Marchant, Attorney General.

Joseph Clarke, Treasurer.

Wm. Ellery Esq., of Newport was  
chosen by the Assembly, a Delegate to  
Continental Congress in the place of the  
the late Mr. Ward.

A Beacon was erected on Womine,  
Economy Hill, to give the country an alarm  
in case of invasion or other necessary  
causes.

The town of Newport under the au-  
thority of the General Assembly, form an  
agreement or truce with Capt. Wallace,  
of the British Ship of War Rose, in which  
they engaged to maintain a neutrality  
and to furnish him with provisions.

A body of men under Gen. West, were  
stationed near Newport, by order of the  
General Assembly, for the purpose of  
watching the movements of the British.  
The committee of Safety prohibited all  
supplies from being furnished to the ships  
of War in the harbor of Newport.

The British ships in consequence of  
being refused supplies from the town of  
Newport, intercepted the ferry boats and  
wood vessels, thereby causing great dis-  
tress to the inhabitants.

In April troops were sent to Newport  
from Providence, under the command of  
Cols. Babcock and Richmond, with two  
row-galleys of two eighteen pounders  
each. Col. Babcock, with two eighteen  
pounders placed on an eminence near the

shore, and the assistance of the galleys  
under the command of Capt. Grimes,  
rendered the situation of the British fleet  
so uncomfortable that they abandoned the  
harbor.

The British ship Glasgow of 20 guns,  
having had an engagement with the fleet  
of Com. Hopkins, returned to Newport  
and came to anchor;—During the night  
a breastwork was erected and several  
pieces of heavy cannon placed on Bren-  
ton's Point, by Col. Richmond, which on  
the following morning opened so vigorous-  
ly and well directed a fire on the Glasgow  
that she hastily cut her cables and went  
out to sea.

A few days subsequently, the British  
ships of war Scarborough of 20 guns and  
Scymeter of 18, with two prize vessels,  
put into Newport and came to anchor a  
little to the south of Rose Island. Col.  
Babcock having made preparations, they  
were cannonaded from the different bat-  
teries and the row galleys, and finding no  
safety in the harbor, they made a hasty  
retreat with the loss of one of their prizes.

The Congress of the United States on  
the 4th of July 1776 publish a Declara-  
tion in which they declare the Colonies  
independent of Great Britain.

The Declaration of American Inde-  
pendence was celebrated at Newport on  
the 20th of July, on which occasion the  
declaration was read from the lobby of  
the State House by Major John Handy,  
in presence of an immense concourse of  
people.

Esek Hopkins of North Providence,  
then a brigadier-general in the service  
of the State, was appointed by Congress  
Commander-in-chief of the Navy.

Com. Hopkins sailed from the Capes  
of Delaware on the 17th of Feb with a  
fleet of 8 vessels, landed at Bermuda and  
took from Nassau all the cannon amounting  
to 88 pieces with a large quantity

of ammunition with which he arrived at  
Providence.

Two frigates, called the Warren and  
the Providence, were built and launched  
at Providence this year.

Com. Hopkins in an attempt to get to  
sea, was met at the entrance of Narragansett  
Bay by a British fleet of 16 sail of  
the line and compelled to return to  
Providence.

Charges having been made against  
Com. Hopkins, he was summoned to  
Philadelphia, but after an investigation by  
the Marine Committee he was fully ac-  
quitted, and directed to return to his com-  
mand.

Early in the fall, intelligence was re-  
ceived that a large British fleet and army  
were soon expected to arrive to take pos-  
session of the Island. All the Cattle the  
American commander could collect, were  
driven to Howland's ferry and swam  
over the river, to prevent their falling  
into the hands of the enemy.

On the 1st of December, about 70 sail  
of British men-of-war and transports, ar-  
rived in Narragansett Bay destined for  
Newport. This fleet was commanded by  
Sir Peter Parker and the Army by Gen.  
Clinton, it came by the West pas-  
sage and on the 7th of December came  
round the north end of Conanicut and an-  
chored off Stoddard's shore in Middle-  
town. On Sunday the 8th of December  
one of the transports came down and  
landed the 32d Regiment at the long  
wharf; on the same day the main army  
landed in Middletown and next day  
marched into Newport. The fleet then  
came down, and the vessels of war an-  
chored in the outer and the transports in  
the inner harbor. The army consisted  
of about 8000 men, English and Hes-  
sus.

Martin Howard, sen. Esq. who was  
formerly Sheriff of Newport County, and  
afterwards a noted Justice of the Peace,  
died Jan. 14 1776 aged 73.

Thomas Gordon Stelle, a respectable  
Merchant of Newport, died January 28  
aged 42 years; his death was occasioned  
by a fall from his Horse.

Col. Francis Willet, of North Kings-  
ton, died Feb. 6, 1776, aged 83 years.—  
He was for many years one of the Assis-  
tants of the Colony.

Hon Samuel Ward, one of the Dele-  
gates to the Continental Congress, died at  
Philadelphia on the 26th of March, aged  
51 years.

Hon. John Cole, a member of the bar,  
and formerly Chief Justice of the Su-  
preme Court, died at North Providence  
Oct. 24 aged 61 years.

Samuel Ward, was the son of Gov. Rich-  
ard Ward, and was born in Newport, March  
27th, 1725. He was deeply engaged in po-  
litical life and was repeatedly a candidate for  
Chief Magistrate of the Colony in opposition to  
Gov. Hopkins. He was elected Governor in

the years 1762 and 1765. In 1774 he was ap-  
pointed one of the Delegates to the first Con-  
tinental Congress and continued zealously en-  
gaged in the duties of his station, until his  
death, which took place at Philadelphia, of  
the small pox on the 26th of March, 1776, at  
the age of 51 years. He married Anne Ray,  
and left five sons. His second son, the late  
Col. Samuel Ward, commanded a Regiment  
in the Revolutionary war and was distin-  
guished as a brave and accomplished officer;—  
after the war, he was a merchant in New  
York; he married the daughter of the late  
Gov. Greene.—He afterwards returned to  
Rhode Island and resided for several years on  
his Farm at East Greenwich; about the close  
of the late war, he returned to New York, where  
he resided until his death, which took  
place at the age of 76, in August 1832. He  
left several sons, who are residents of New  
York.

The rain drops glistened on the trees around,  
Whose shadows on the tall grass were not  
stirred,  
Save with a shower of diamonds, to the  
ground.

Was shaken by the flight of startled birds;  
For birds were warbling round, and bees  
were heard.

About the flowers; the cheerful rivulet sung  
And gossiped, as he hastened oceanward;

To the gray oak, the squirrel, chiding, chung,  
And, chirping, from the ground the grasshopper  
sprang.

And from beneath the leaves, that kept them  
dry,  
Flew many a glittering insect here and  
there,

And darted up and down the butterfly,  
That seemed living blossom of the air.

The flocks came scattering from the thicket,  
where

The violent rain had sent them; in the way  
Strayed groups of damsels frolicsome and  
fair;

The farmer swung the scythe or turned the  
hay,  
And twixt the heavy swaths his children were  
at play.

It was a scene of peace—and, like a spell,  
Did that serene and golden sunlight fall  
Upon the motionless wood that clothed the  
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